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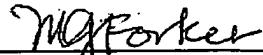
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**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8**

I hereby certify that the attached Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) For Withdrawal of Improper Notice of Abandonment; a copy of the Reply to Office Action and Terminal Disclaimer filed June 11, 2007 and the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission received from the USPTO dated June 11, 2007; a copy of a Status Inquiry with transmittal facsimile transmittal form, confirmation report, and PTO Auto-Reply dated December 6, 2007; and Declaration of Amedeo F. Ferraro are being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 16, 2008.

  
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Sir:

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)  
FOR WITHDRAWAL OF IMPROPER NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT**

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner to withdraw this application from abandonment. Applicant received a Notice of Abandonment dated January 7, 2008, due to failure to respond to an Office letter mailed May 30, 2007. Applicant filed a Reply to the Office Action and Terminal Disclaimer on June 11, 2007 by facsimile transmission to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. As can be seen from PAIR, the Reply and Terminal Disclaimer were received and entered into the system. On December 6, 2007, Applicant filed a Status Inquiry and thereafter, we received the Notice of Abandonment. Applicant encloses, for the Commissioner's convenience, the following items:

1. A copy of the Reply to Office Action and Terminal Disclaimer filed June 11, 2007 and the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission received from the USPTO dated June 11, 2007;
2. A copy of a Status Inquiry with transmittal facsimile transmittal form, confirmation report, and PTO Auto-Reply dated December 6, 2007; and
3. Declaration of Amadeo F. Ferraro.

This Petition is being filed within two months from the action complained of pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(f), and does not require a fee pursuant to MPEP 711.03(c)(i).

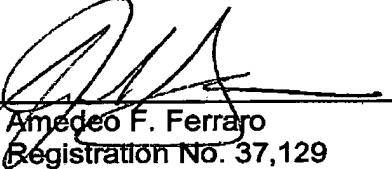
Applicant respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn and the Reply to Office Action and Terminal Disclaimer dated June 11, 2007 be entered and considered on the merits.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Petition, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account 50-1066.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN & FERRARO, LLP

Dated: January 16, 2008

By: 

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**DECLARATION OF AMEDEO F. FERRARO**

Amedeo F. Ferraro declares as follows:

This declaration is made in support of the above-identified patent application.

I am the attorney for applicant of the above-identified patent application. The facts set forth in this declaration are based on my own first-hand knowledge.

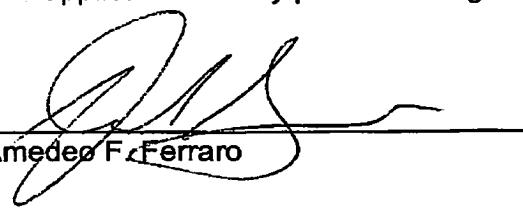
On June 11, 2007, Applicant filed a Reply to the Office Action dated May 30, 2007 and Terminal Disclaimer by facsimile transmission to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. After receiving no further communication from the Examiner, Applicant filed a Status Inquiry on December 6, 2007.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 1 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-referenced application or any patent issuing thereon.

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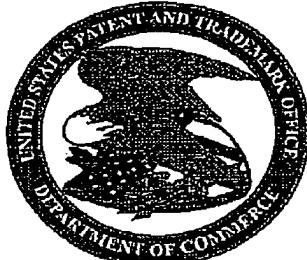
  
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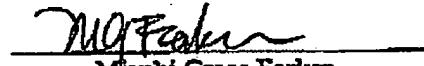
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply to the Office Action dated May 30, 2007 in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.  
 Applicant hereby requests a \*\*\*month extension of time to respond to the above office action.  
 Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed.

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